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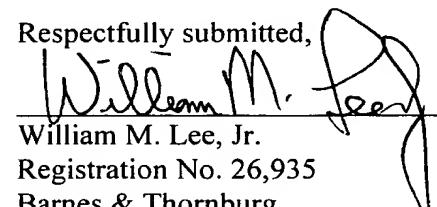
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136, the applicant hereby petitions for an automatic extension of time of 3 months to respond to the Office Action of July 10, 2002. Response will therefore be timely if filed with the Patent and Trademark Office no later than January 10, 2003.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17, the required fee of \$465 is attached hereto.

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